THE VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

The Freedom of the Preſs is one of the great Bulwarks of Liberty, and can never be reſtrained but by deſpotic Governments.

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BALTIMORE, *December* 16.

Extract of a letter from an officer at camp, dated Dec. 10.

IT is probale that by this time you expected to have been informed of a third general battle between the royal army aud that of the United States. The former marched from its lines of Thurſday the 5th, leaving only its ſick, and a ſmall neceſſary guard; paſſed through Germantown, driving before it our patrols of horſe, and exchanging fire with our pickets and advanced parties of infantry. The Britiſh ſoldiers, as they advanced through the village, forced the doors of the inhabitants with the butts of their muſkets, uttering execrations againſt the rebels and all their abettors. On the morning of the 6th we received intelligence that the enemy had encamped on Cheſtnut Hill, and from the enormous ſmoke, too large for the purpoſe of a camp, which appeared at different times and in different directions, we ſuſpected that they were venting their ſpleen in wanton conflagrations; but we found afterwards that there was no houſe of conſequence deſtroyed in this quarter. Two barns, and a a ſquare tower, which had been built as a look-out, were the only ſacrifices they offered to tyranny in this neighbourhood. Webb's regiment, and the Pennſylvania militia, which in our order of battle were deſtined to act in ſmall detachments for the purpoſe of galling the enemy's flank, were ordered to advance and ſkirmiſh with their light troops; the militia behaved as uſual, and Brigadier General Irvine was wounded and taken priſoner while he was making fruitleſs attempts to rally them.

"In the morning of the 7th, at 5 o'clock, the enemy filed off by their right; a party of them halted near Jenkin's town; by their movements it appeared they were endeavouring to turn our left; we changed our diſpoſition in conſequence, and upon hearing that they were advancing in two columns, Morgan's corps and the Maryland militia were ordered to harraſs their right flank; there was ſome very ſmart firing in conſequence, between Morgan's and the Britiſh light infantry; the latter having made an imprudent uſe of their extraordinary allowance of rum, ſuffered, and every man that appeared would have been killed or taken if the rifle-men had been armed with bayonets. We had great reaſon to fear a general attack, but there was nothing more than a little bickering between our pickets.

"On the 8th the enemy remained in poſition, and under cover of their uſual ſtratagem, leaving great fires on their ground, decamped in the evening. It was doubted at firſt whether they meant to retreat, or whether they were only filing off in order to prepare for an attack on our right. Count Pulaſki with a party of horſe, and a few infantry which he had collected, followed them, watching their motions.—As ſoon as the real deſign of the enemy was aſcertained, light parties were ordered to purſue, and a larger body to ſupport them; but the enemy's march was too rapid to allow of their being overtaken by any other than Count Pulaſki's party, who, with his handful of men, made an attack upon their rear guard. Very early yeſterday morning, after burning a tavern called the Riſing Sun, near Philadelphia, and ſtealing a few milch cows and horſes, they harboured themſelves. Thus an expedition, which raiſed the expectations of every body, and from whence it was thought ſome great deciſive ſtroke would ariſe, terminated in degrading the whole Britiſh army to a foraging party.

"The loſs of Morgan's rifle-men was 27 killed and wounded, among the latter is the brave Major Morris; what the enemy loſt in the ſeveral ſkirmiſhes is not known. Col. Morgan, who has no need of boaſting to eſtabliſh the reputation of his corps, ſays the Britiſh light infantry loſt a great many in their ſkirmiſh with him. While the armies were in preſence we had ſeveral deſerters and priſoners from them—thoſe taken the firſt day by ſmall parties of horſe in Germantown, in the rear of the enemy, were for the moſt part drunk. Theſe parties of ours had been poſted at Frankford, and as the enemy did not extend themſelves to the right of Germantown, they fell in upon the enemy's rear, and collected ſtragglers with impunity.

"You will now probably aſk, what account of the enemy's conduct is to be given? My idea of the matter is ſimply this; Sir William Howe imagined that on the firſt appearance of the Britiſh army the ſhivering, half-naked defenders of liberty, would have decamped and left him maſter yf the country; that finding his parade ineffectual, he had recourſe to the moſt trying manœuvre of encamping on our flank, but ſeeing us ſtill moveable, he judged it moſt prudent to retire to peaceful winter quarters, than to attack us in a poſition, the ſtrength of which would probably have obliged him to retire with loſs; and which, even if he had gained from us by the greateſt exertions, muſt have coſt him too great a ſacrifice of his beſt troops; while our army, light and free of encumbrance, even in caſe of this improbable diſaſter, would have ſuffered more in honour than in any other point."

TO be ſold, purſuant to the laſt will of SACVILLE BREWER, deceaſed, on *Saturday* the 10th of *January*, on the premiſes, a tract of land in *Charles City* county, about a mile from *Cowle's* ferry, containing 100 acres more or leſs; the purchaſer will have 12 months credit, on giving bond and good ſecurity, to carry intereſt from the date if not punctually paid.

(1‖) THE EXECUTORS.

ON the 1ſt day of *January* next will be leaſed, for one year or a term of years, on the premiſes, the plantation and houſes lately advertiſed by Captain *James Wall*, ſen. deceaſed, in *Brunſwick* county, near *Hicks's Ford*; its ſituation and conveniencies will ſuit either a merchant or tavern keeper. There are for ſale, belonging to the ſaid eſtate, 2 likely ſlaves, a man and a woman, alſo a very likely covering horſe, riſing ſix years old, his ſire was old *Partner*, his dam got by old *Janus*. Any perſon inclinable to treat for the negroes or the horſe, may know the terms by applying to either of the ſubſcribers in *Brunſwick* county.

JAMES WALL,
SEYMOR POWELL, } Executors.
(1) JAMES MASON,

TO be ſold, for ready money, at *Charles City* court houſe, on *Wedneſday* the 6th of *January* next, ſeveral likely *Virginia* born SLAVES belonging to the eſtate of *Edward Cocke* deceaſed, among which is an exceeding good COOK, and ſeveral fine flax and cotton ſpinners. All perſons having demands againſt ſaid eſtate, are deſired to make them known on or before the day of ſale, and thoſe indebted, to make immediate payment to

(2‖) THE ADMINISTRATOR.

AUGUSTA County, *December* 12, 1777

ALL perſons that have any demands againſt the eſtate of *John Douglaſs* deceaſed, are deſired to make them known to

(‖) CHARLES CAMABELL, Adminiſtrator.

PETERSBURG, *December* 23, 1777.

THE ſubſcribers have for ſale, for ready money, about 5000 weight of *Muſcovado* SUGAR, of good quality, *Weſt India* and *French* RUM, 1000 weight of good COFFEE, 50 weight of SARSAPARELLA, *Maccubaw* and *Spaniſh* SNUFF, and a quantity of MOHOGANY.

(2‖) ROE LATIMER & Co.

HOBS HOLE, *December* 3, 1777.

LEFT in my poſſeſſion in *October* 1776, by Major *George Johnſon*, an officer in one of the *Virginia* regiments, a CHEST containing wearing apparel, &c. I take this method to acquaint his executors or adminiſtrators where to apply for ſaid cheſt. If no application is made ſoon after this publication, they will be ſold to the higheſt bidder for ready money.

(‖) JOHN CORRIE.

TO be ſold, at *King William* court houſe, on *Thurſday* the 19th of *February*, being court day, the ſubſcriber's TRACT of LAND, containing by a late ſurvey 503 acres, whereon the aforeſaid court houſe ſtands, together with all the buildings thereon, viz. the publick houſe, which is 72 feet by 20 with a portico the whole length, there are 4 rooms below and 4 above, with 4 cloſets on a floor; another dwelling houſe 36 by 18 with 2 rooms above and 2 below, a paſſage and 2 cloſets; a large ſtore houſe 40 by 16; a counting houſe 28 by 12, with 2 rooms; a private dwelling houſe 40 by 16, with 2 rooms below and 1 above; a large kitchen 28 by 20, with 2 rooms; ſtables, corn houſes, a large fertile garden, and every other conveniency requiſite for publick or private houſes: No place in this country is better calculated for a tavern than this, and none more frequented, trade has flouriſhed here for many years, it being very convenient to navigation. The land will produce tobacco, corn, and wheat exceeding well. The advantages attending this place are many, but let this ſuffice, that any perſon who is inclinable to purchaſe may make his 1000l. or 1500l. per year. The terms of payment will be made known on the day of ſale. (6‖) JOHN QUARLES.

ON *Monday* the 19th of *January* will be ſold, to the higheſt bidders, for ready money, purſuant to the laſt will and teſtament of *Chriſtopher Tarp* deceaſed, at his late dwelling houſe in *Surry* county, all his eſtate, conſiſting of 12 likely Negroes, men, women, boys and girls, ſtocks of horſes, cattle, hogs and ſheep, the crop of corn and fodder, plantation utenſils, and houſehold furniture.

WILLIAM BROWNE,
(2‖) NICHOLAS FAULCON, Jun. } Executors.

FOR ſale, a TRACT of LAND in *Prince George* county, formerly the property of *Robert Hunnicut* deceaſed, it lies within 8 miles of *Cabin Point*, and 1 of *Black Water* creek, and contains about 600 acres, there is a dwelling houſe on ſaid land 32 by 18, with two rooms below and 2 above, and ſeveral other convenient houſes; the land is very level and good for grain and affords a great plenty of oak and pine of the beſt quality. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe may know the terms, which will be very reaſonable, by applying to me in *Powhatan* near *Fine* creek.

(‖) JOHN HUNNICUT, Jun.

To be ſold in King William, *at the Plantation of* Mary Ritchie, *on the 12th of* January *next, for ready Money, the perſonal Eſtate of* Daniel Ritchie, *deceaſed,*

CONSISTING of Cattle, Hogs, and Houſehold Furniture, and ſome Plantation Utenſils.——Thoſe who are indebted to the ſaid Deceaſed are deſired to diſcharge their Accounts, and thoſe who have any Demands againſt the ſaid Eſtate are requeſted to bring them in properly proved, to 1‖ WILLIAM WINGO, Jun.

To be ſold at public Vendue, the 14th of next Month, in Norfolk, *for ready Money, the following Articles,* viz.

FIFTEEN Hhds. of *Demerara* Rum, 8 Barrels of Sugar, 30 or 40 Barrels of Salt, a Quantity of Ruſſia and Sheeting Linen, Stockings, Hats, Pins, Needles, Pepper, Tea, Muſkets and Bayonets, Copperas, ſome Pieces and Remnants of Cloth, and ſundry other Articles, too tedious to particulariſe. 2 PHRIPP & BOWDOIN.

TO BE SOLD, at *Providence* Forge, between 5 and 600 Wt. of good INDIGO, by Wholeſale. For Terms apply to

2‖ WILLIAM DOUGLASS.

On Monday *the 12th of* January *will be ſold for ready Caſh, at the Plantation of* Julius Allen, *deceaſed,*

ALL the remaining part of the ſtock, conſiſting of horſes, cattle, hogs, *&c.* amongſt which are 6 yoke of good oxen, alſo the plantation utenſils, and a ſet of blackſmiths tools, quite new, and ſundry other things too tedious to mention.

JULIUS ALLEN,
SAMUEL PRICE, } Exec.
MILES SEDDEN, Jun. }

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To be ſold at our Store in Peterſburg, *on* Monday *the 5th of* January *next, at public Auction, ſundry Goods, viz.*

MEN's ſaddles, brown ſugar, brandy, ſteel, black pepper, Jeſuits bark, ſewing ſilk, twiſt and buttons, checked handkerchiefs, *Barcelona* do. linen, ſheeting, brown thread, card wire, needles, pins, hinges, chiſels, augers, cart boxes, wine glaſſes, tureens, *Daffy's* elixir, writing paper, and ſundry other uſeful articles too tedious to mention.

2§ DAVIS, ELLIOTT, & Co.

SABINE HALL, *December* 18, 1777.

TO be ſold at the courthouſe in *Richmond* county, on *Thurſday* the 29th of next month, for ready money, TWENTY YOUNG NEGROES.

RO: WORMELEY CARTER.

FOR ſale, 130 acres of land in KING WILLIAM county, known by the name of GOLDENS TRACK, within 3 miles of RUFFIN's ferry, whereon is a ſmall plantation and orchard. For terms apply to the Subſcriber in NEWCASTLE. DAVID COCHRAN.

TO be ſold for ready Money, on the 1ſt WEDNESDAY in JANUARY next, at CHARLES CITY courthouſe, being court day, ſeveral likely Negroes, men, women, boys, and girls, belonging to the eſtate of WILLIAM THOMPSON, deceaſed. 1‡ EDWARD MARRABLE, Adminiſtrator.

TO be ſold to the higheſt bidder, for ready money, on SATURDAY the 17th of JANUARY 1778, 31 acres of land lying on the DRAGON SWAMP, in KING and QUEEN county, formerly the property of Mr. JOHN FOSTER, deceaſed; thoſe who have a mind to purchaſe may attend on the above-mentioned day, at Mr. EDWARD WALDEN's in KING and QUEEN.

2‖ JAMES CHAPMAN, Adminiſtrator.

FOR SALE,

JUNIUS, a very fine Stud Horſe, at the Subſcriber's Houſe in *Hanover* County, he is an imported Horſe, and a very fine Bay, 16¼ Hands high, and remarkable for getting ſtout, well formed Colts.

2‖ GEDDIS WINSTON.

APOLLONIUS, a beautiful bay colt, riſing 3 years old, upwards of 15 hands high, high formed, and well proportioned, is for ſale. ----- APOLLONIUS's ſire is *Apollo*, and his dam an exceeding fine high blooded.----For terms apply to Mr. *Mungo Roy*, near the *Bowling Green*, in *Caroline*, or the ſubſcriber, near *Portroyal*, in *King George* county.

A. WAUGH.

WILLIAMSBURG, *December* 22, 1777.

AS the Leaſe formerly made by the Subſcribers, of the Earl of *Dunmore's* Lands in *York* County, will expire at *Chriſtmas*, they hereby give Notice, that they will again leaſe the ſame for a Year, to the higheſt Bidder, on *Wedneſday* the laſt of this Month, before the *Raleigh* Door.

1 EDM. RANDOLPH.
JOHN BLAIR.

SCIMINO, York *County, Dec.* 19, 1777.

ALL Perſons who have any Demands againſt the Eſtate of *James Bates*, deceaſed, are deſired to make them known immediately, that the Eſtate may be ſettled, and thoſe who are indebted for Negroes, Rents, *&c.* are requeſted to make immediate Payment to

1‖ SAMUEL WINSTON. Guardian.

GOT from a ſuſpected Perſon (ſuppoſed from *Hanover* County) a mealy Sorrel Mare, about 6 Years old next Spring, about 4 Feet 9 or 10 Inches high, no Brand perceivable, hanging Mane and Switch Tail, both flaxen, Mane rather whiter than the Tail, mixed with white Hairs on the Rump, a white Spot on the off Shoulder, another Spot about the Point of the Saddle on the near Side, another on the near Side of the Head about the Size of a Pea, a Star in her Forehead, and tolerable likely. The Owner, by applying to Capt. *Thomas Carr* in *Charlotteſville*. proving his Property, and paying Charges, may take her away.

NANSEMOND, *Dec.* 15, 1777.

I intend to leave the country ſoon, and to return in the ſpring. 1‖ THMAS CORBETT.

WANTING, a ſchoolmaſter, a ſingle man, qualified for the buſineſs, and comes well recommeded for his good humour and ſobriety, will meet with encouragement to the amount of £40 *per* annum, excluſive of board, provided immediate application is made within the neighbourhood of *Green* creek, in the upper end of *Cumberland*, and will begin to teach on new year's day. 1‖

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.

FOR apprehending and delivering to the ſubſcriber, in *Frederickſburg*, a mulatto wench named SALLY, who ran away about the middle of *October* laſt, and went off with a wench belonging to Miſs *Digges*. They have been both in *York* and *Williamſburg*. She is of the middle ſtature, ſtraight and well ſhaped, has a buſhy head of hair, which ſhe generally uſed to wear dreſſed up, and has loſt ſome of her fore teeth. She had on a brown worſted damaſk coat and jacket, but may change her apparel, as ſhe had a variety of clothes.---A reward of 20 dollars will alſo be given for apprehending and delivering to me, a mulatto ſervant wench named HANKEY (alias *Hagai Sexton*) who went off about 4 years ago, and has been living theſe laſt two years in *Albemarle* county, where ſhe paſſed for a free woman, and is ſtill there, protected and harboured by a parcel of free Mulattoes. (‖) WILLIAM SMITH.

DESERTED from Capt. *Breſſie's* company of State troops, ſerjeant *Joſhua Campbell, Edmund Love, Charles Smith*, and *William Gregory*, who was enliſted from *North Carolina* State.----*Campbell* is 5 feet 8 inches high, about 22 years of age, with light hair.---*Love* is about 5 feet 4 or 5 inches high, yellow hair, and of a dark complexion.--*Smith* has very dark hair and complexion, about the ſame height of *Love*.---*Gregory* is 5 feet 10 inches high, about 27 years of age, light hair and complexion.---*James Johnſton*, 35 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, light hair and complexion, ſtoops in his walk, and he formerly kept a ſchool.---*John Wayles*, who was enliſted in *Princeſs Anne* county, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, about 30 years of age, light hair and complexion. I will give a reward of 30 dollars for ſerjeant *Campbell* and *William Gregory*, and 20 dollars for each of the others, delivered at *Portſmouth*.

(2‖) JOHN HUDSON, Lieut.

DESERTED from my Quota of State Troops, JAMES BARKER of *Buckingham*, he appears to be upwards of 40 Years old, 5 Feet 7 or 8 inches high, well ſet, ſhort black Hair, one of his Knees larger than the other, by trade a Shoemaker. Whoever delivers the ſaid *Barker* to me or any State Officer, ſhall have a Reward of 10 Dollars, and all reaſonable Charges paid. 2‖ RICHARD CRUMP, Lieut. Art.

COMMITTED into my Cuſtody as a Runaway, an outlandiſh Negro Man, who calls himſelf *Jack*, and ſays he belongs to *Thomas Turner*, though can hardly ſpeak to be underſtood, appears to be 35 Years old, about 5 Feet 2 Inches high, has ſeveral of his Country Marks about his Face, had on an old Hat, an old Tow Shirt, ſtriped Jacket, blue Yarn Breeches, both Coutry Cloth, and much worn, and has an old *Dutch* Blanket. The Owner is deſired to apply for the ſaid Negro to the Subſcriber, in *Surry* County, prove his Property, and pay Charges.

‖ ETHELDRED GRAY. D. S.

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.

DESERTED from the 9th *Virginia* Regiment, a certain SAMUEL DAY, enliſted in *Powhatan* County, but ſays he was born in *Albemarle*, and has lived in *Georgia*, or *Carolina* for ſome Time, he is about 30 Years old, 5 Feet 7 or 8 Inches high, of a dark Complexion and well made. I will give the above Reward to any Perſon who will deliver him to the Commanding Officer in *Williamſburg*, or to any Officer going to the Grand Army with Troops. (2‖) NATH: G. MORRIS, Capt. 9th *Virg* Regt.

RUN away, from the Subſcriber, living in *Northumberland* County, about the Middle of *September* laſt, a Negro Fellow named ANTHONY, about 5 Feet 8 Inches high, Bow-legged, a ſmall Blemiſh in one of his Eyes (but at preſent I don't recollect which of them) has been, by his Scars, pretty much ſubject to the Laſh from his former Maſter. I have ſome Reaſon to believe he is in *King* and *Queen*. I will give 10l. Reward to any Perſon to deliver him to me, or ſecure him ſo that I get him again. 1‖ FORTUNATUS SYDNOR.

STRAYED or STOLEN from Doctor *James Feild's* in *Prince George* County, about the 15th of *November*, a BAY HORSE, 4 Years old laſt Spring, about 4 Feet 10 Inches high, branded on the near Buttock (.·.) a ſmall Spot juſt below the Brand, and appears as if he had had a Fiſtula. Whoever will deliver the ſaid Horſe, either to Mr. *William Bradley* at *Peterſburg*, or the Subſcriber on *Nottoway* River, in *Brunſwick* County, will receive five Dollars Reward. (2‖) PETER JONES.

STOLEN or ſtrayed from Mr. *James Hunter's* Paſture, oppoſite *Frederickſburg*, on *Monday* the 13th of *October*, a large black HORSE, about 15 Hands high, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, 4 Years old laſt Spring, is a natural Pacer but can trot or gallop, branded on the near Buttock and Shoulder IMC, but ſcarcely viſible, a white Kind of Hair round his off hind Foot, juſt above the Hoof. Whoever takes up and ſecures the ſaid Horſe ſo that I get him again, ſhall receive a Reward of FORTY SHILLINGS by 5‖ JOHN HARDIA.

STRAYED or ſtolen from the ſubſcriber in *Eſſex*, about the Middle of *September* laſt, a likely blooded Sorrel mare near 14 hands high, 3 years old laſt ſpring, neither docked nor branded when ſhe went off, is inclinable to be raw-boned, and is ſlim made, with a long back. Whoever can give me ſuch information that I may get her again ſhall receive 5 dollars reward. 2‖ SAMUEL PEACHEY.

FREDERICKSBURG, *December* 15, 1777.

STRAYED from the Coffee Houſe, about 6 Weeks ago, a dark bay HORSE about 12 Years old, hanging Mane and Switch Tail, a Star in his Forehead, and one or both of his hind Feet white; as he has never been heard of ſince he went away, it is ſuppoſed he is taken up. Whoever brings the ſaid Horſe to the Houſe above mentioned, ſhall receive thirty Shillings Reward, beſides reaſonable Charges. (2‖)

STRAYED or ſtolen from the ſubſcriber, in *Charlotte* county, a dark bay mare about 9 or 10 Years old, about 4 Feet 6 or 7 inches high, a ſtar in her forehead, a thick hanging mane, branded on the near ſhoulder but with what I do not remember, paces naturally, and is hip-ſhotten in her oft hip. 2‖ THOMAS TOWNES.

FIVE DOLLARS REWARD.

STRAYED or ſtolen from *James Town*, on *Tueſday* the 16th Inſtant (*December*) a BAY HORSE about 14½ Hands high, Blaze Face, white Spots between his Ears, ſome white Hairs in his Mane, the upper N part of his Tail a few white Hairs, and branded on the near buttock R. C, paces, trots, and gallops. Whoever delivers him to be in *Williamſburg*, ſhall receive the above Reward, and if ſtolen twenty Dollars on Conviction of the Thief. JOHN ROWSAY.

TAKEN up, in *Auguſta* county, on the *South* river, a grey mare, branded on the off ſhoulder W, and on the near ſhoulder, but not perceivable, hanging mane and ſwitch Tail, about 13¾ hands high, and about 11 years old, ſhod all round. Poſted, and appraiſed to 16l. (‖) JOHN BLACK.

TAKEN up, in *Amherſt* county, a red pied cow, 5 or 6 years old, branded on the near thigh (2) and on the off horn 6, marked in the right ear with a crop and underkeel, and a crop, underkeel, and ſlit in the left, ſhe is of the middle ſize. (‖) JACOB COOLEY.

TAKEN up, in *Hanover*, a bay Horſe about 4 feet 3 inches high, ſwitch tale and hanging mane, branded on the near buttock ⊂. Poſted, and appraiſed to 6l. (‖) GEDDIS WINSTON.

TAKEN up, in *Pauquire* county, two red COWS with bells on, 1 marked with a crop and underkeel in the right ear, and a crop in the left; the other is marked in the right ear with ſomething reſembling a ſwallowfork. Poſted, and appraiſed to 4l. 10s. each. (2‖) STEPHEN M'CORMIC.

TAKEN up, in *Charles City*, an iron gray HORSE about 7 years old, 4 feet 4 inches high, his face a little lighter than his body, hanging mane and ſwitch tail. Poſted, and appraiſed to 12l. ‖ THOMAS RUSSELL.

TAKEN up, in *Buckingham*, a bald eagle HORSE, yellow mane and tail branded on the near ſhoulder and buttock thus A A, one on each, the ſaid ſtray appears to be 5 years old this ſpring, ſome ſaddle ſpots, and paces natural. Appraiſed to 20l. 2‖ ANTHONY DUBRAL.

TAKEN up, in *Spotſylvania* county, a black HORSE about 14 hands high a ſtar in his forehead, a ſcar on his near ſhoulder, and a lump on his back, a few ſaddle ſpots, and thick hanging mane. Poſted, and appraiſed to 19l. 1‖ EDWARD COLEMAN.

HANOVER, *December* 1, 1777.

TO diſcharge my Siſters Fortunes, I will ſell at private Sale 15 or 20 valuable Slaves (in Families) among them is a good Blackſmith, an excellent Laundry Servant, ſeveral good Spinners, Boys and Girls of different Ages. Thoſe who incline to purchaſe are deſired to apply in Perſon. (5) NELSON BERKELEY.

ON *Thurſday* the 8th of *January* 1778, will be ſold, at the Plantation of Col. *Theodorick Bland*, Junior, the Stocks of Cattle, Crop of Corn, Wheat, and Fodder, with the Utenſils of Huſbandry, and on the 18th following will be offered for Sale, between 30 and 40 *Virginia* born Negroes, at Mr. *Bradley's* in *Peterſburg*, the Whole for ready Money. §

To be ſold for ready Money, on Wedneſday the 31ſt Inſtant (December) *on the Plantation of* William Ruffin, deceaſed, *in* Surry *County*,

ALL the Stock of Horſes, Cattle, Sheep, and Hogs, about 400 Barrels of Corn and Flour, or 500 Buſhels of Oats.--At the ſame Time will be hired 8 or 9 fine Negro Fellows and 4 Houſe Wenches. 2‖ JOHN H. COCKE, Executor.

MANCHESTER, *December* 8, 1777.

INTENDING to ſet up a Brewery and Diſtillery at this Place, I have provided two Stills and three Coppers, one of which contains about 300 Gallons. The Situation and Convenience for carrying on that Buſineſs at this Place are equal to any. A Perſon properly qualified, by Experince, to ſuperintend ſuch Buſineſs, may become a Partner, by applying ſhortly. 2‖ JOHN MAYO.

THIS DAY IS PUBLISHED,

A CATALOGUE of the valuable Library, the Property of the Eſtate of the late Hon *William Byrd*, Eſq; conſiſting of near 4000 Volumes, in all Languages and Facultues, contained in twenty three double Preſſes of black Walnut, and alſo a valuable Aſſortmnet of philoſophical Inſtruments, and capital Engravings, the Whole in excellent Order. Great Part of the Books in elegant Bindings, and of the beſt Editions, and a conſiderable Number of them very Scarce. Catalogues may be ſeen at Meſſ. *Dixon* & *Hunter's* in *Williamſburg*, and at moſt of the Book-Sellers upon the Continent, and alſo at *Weſtover*, where the Library may be viewed, and the Executrix will treat with thoſe who are inclined to purchaſe the Whole.

FOR SALE, a very pretty Plantation in the County of *Iſle of Wight*, about 4 Miles from the Town of *Smithfield*, containing 200 Acres, there are valuable Improvements on ſaid Land in Houſes, Orchards, &c. For further Particulars inquire of ‖ THOMAS PIERCE.

A MAN, who will come well recommended to teach the *Latin* Tongue, may have FORTY POUNDS *per* Annum, and the Privilege of ſix Scholars, of 2‖ AUSTIN GARFETT.

To be ſold on the Premiſes, to the higheſt Bidder, for ready Money, on the 22d of January, *if fair, otherwiſe the next fair Day*,

THE Lots and public Warehouſes adjoining the Town of *Falmouth*, called *Dixon's* & *Falmouth*, belonging to the Eſtate of the Rev. *John Dixon*, deceaſed; the Houſes are in good Repair, and the Situation renders them very valuable. JOHN DIXON, } Exec'rs
(5) JOHN PEYTON, }

☞ The Executors being deſirous to have the Eſtate finally ſettled, requeſt all thoſe who have any Demands will make them known by the Day of Sale, and that thoſe who are indebted will be ſpeedy in making Payment.

To be ſold at public Sale, for ready Money, at South Quay, *on* Thurſday *the 1ſt of* January *next,*

THE Schooner GOOD INTENT, with her Tackle and Furniture, Burthen about 40 Hogſheads (an Inventory will be produced at the Day of Sale) alſo the Cargo, conſiſting of 28 Hogſheads of *St. Croix* Rum, 2½ Pipes of *New York* Wine, ſome *Dutch* Stripes, Oſnabrugs, and Woollens. 2‖ JOSHUA STORRS,

For *Joſhua Storrs, H. Walker,* & Co.

RICHMOND, *Dec.* 10, 1777.

Will be ſold at public Vendue, on Friday *the 26th Inſtant* (December) *if fair, otherwiſe the next fair Day, at the Plantation of* Robert Tate, *deceaſed, in the County of* Hanover,

SOME Houſehold Furniture, Plantation Utenſils, Crop of Corn, Fodder, and Wheat, 2 Work Horſes, and ſome Seed Cotton.---- Twelve Months Credit will be allowed for all Sums exceeding 3l. on giving Bond with approved Security, to carry Intereſt from the Day of Sale if not punctually paid.——All Perſons who have Demands againſt the ſaid Eſtate are deſired to make them known.

2 FRANCIS TATE, Adminiſtrator.

NEWCASTLE, *December* 10, 1777.

PRINCESS ANNE, *December* 12, 1777.

THE Subſcribers have for Sale a Quantity of SALT, *Muſcovado* SUGAR, good *Weſt India* RUM, TAFFIER, and CLARET.

2‖ PETER SINGLETON, & Co.

To be rented on Monday *the 4th of* January *next, to the higheſt Bidder, for one Year,*

THREE Plantations in *Charles City* County, belonging to the Orphans of *William Kennon,* Eſq; deceaſed; they are now held by the following Gentlemen, *viz. William Aerill, John Edloe,* and *David Minge.* The Plantations are in good Order for Cropping, with a Quantity of ſmall Grain ſowed thereon. Thoſe Perſons who may want to rent the Land are deſired to meet at the home Houſe Plantation, on the Day before-mentioned. ‖

FOR SALE, 800 Acres of LAND in *Halifax* County, near Colonel *Boyd's* Ferry; it lies exceeding well, is well timbered and watered, convenient to the Courthouſe and good Mills, the major Part of it is Tobacco Land, and it is within 2 Miles of the beſt fiſhing Place upon *Dan* River. Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe the ſame may know the Terms by applying to me at *Moſes Fontaine's,* who will treat with them if I am abſent. ‖ ABRAHAM FONTAINE.

WILLIAMSBURG, *December* 19, 1777.

IF the Gentleman, who had a Ticket in Col. *Byrd's* Lottery, N°. 9764, and came up a Prize of Half an Acre, and wants to diſpoſe of it, may hear of a Purchaſer, by applying to

ROBERT NICOLSON.

LOUISA, *December* 13, 1777.

I INTEND FOR THE *WEST INDIES,* AND TO RETURN IN A FEW MONTHS. (‖) JOHN MARSHALL.

FALMOUTH, *December* 8, 1777.

THE Subſcriber being fully empowered to ſettle the Affairs of the late Meſſ. *Wodrow* & *Neilſon,* requeſt all Perſons indebted to them for Dealings with them at this Place, or elſewhere, to be ſpeedy in making Payment. The long Indulgence given by thoſe Gentlemen, will, I hope, induce every Perſon who may be in their Debt to loſe no Time in complying with ſuch a reaſonable Requeſt. Such as do not avail themſelves of this Notice, may blame themſelves for the Conſequence — Thoſe who have any Demands againſt them, or the late Mr. *Alexander Wodrow,* will pleaſe make them known, that they may be adjuſted and paid. 2‖ ANDREW WODROW, Adminiſtrator.

*** I have for Sale, ſundry valuable Tracts of Land in the Counties of *Frederick* and *Hampſhire,* likewiſe ſeveral Lots in the Towns of *Wincheſter* and *Stephenſburg,* in the County of *Frederick.*

To be ſold, a Tract of Land on York *River, a little below the* Brick-Houſe, *in* New Kent *County,*

CONTAINING 555 Acres, with a large Body of Marſh, inferior to none in the State, it has ſupported large Stocks of Cattle without any Provender at all in the Winter Seaſon. The Terms may be made known by applying to Mr. *Maupin* in *Williamſburg,* Mr. *Richmond Allen* in *New Kent,* or to the Subſcriber in *Caroline.*

‖ JOHN HOOMES.

ON *Thurſday* the 8th Day of *January* next will be ſold, to the higheſt Bidder, for ready Money, at Mr. *John Sands's* Ordinary in *Suſſex* County, about 15 or 20 likely Slaves, conſiſting of Men, Women, Boys, and Girls. At the ſame Time will be hired out for the enſuing Year, about 30 Slaves of different Eſtates.---- The Executors of Mr. *Jame Barnt* and Mr. *Holliday Fort,* deceaſed, takes this Opportunity of acquainting all who have purchaſed of thoſe Eſtates, or are owing for Hire of Negroes, that they expect immediate Payment for all Sums due, and thoſe concerned may depend their Bonds and Accounts will be immediately put in Suit, if not paid by the Time above-mentioned.

To be rented on Monday *the 5th Day of* January *enſuig, at* Egmon's *Ordinary, in* Charles City *County,*

FOUR valuable Tenemens belonging to the Eſtate of *William Kennon,* Eſq; deceaſed, *viz.* the *Manor* Plantation, beautifully ſituated on *James* River, containing about 800 Acres; one ditto called the *Meadows,* 600 Acres; one ditto near the Church, 450 Acres; and a ſmall Plantation contiguous to the laſt, of about 70 Acres, all in good Order for Cropping, and to be let for the Term of one Year.

2‖ FRANCIS WILLIS.

To be SOLD, on the Premiſes, on Monday *the 5th of* January *next, if fair, otherwiſe the next fair Day, for ready Money.*

A TRACT of LAND in *King William* County, near *Aylett's* Warehouſe, containing, by the old Survey, 750 Acres, there is good Buildings on the ſaid Land, with two Plantations, and is ſubject to my Mother's Dower, alſo 30 likely *Virginia* born Slaves, the Stocks of Horſes, Cattle, Sheep, and Hogs, about 3000 Weight of Groſs Pork, the Crop of Corn, Wheat, Peaſe, and Fodder, with all the Plantation Utenſils.

‖ BENJAMIN C. SPILLER.

DESERTED from the Manly *Galley two Marines, viz.* James Hodges *about 30 Years of Age, 5 Feet 8 or 9 Inches high, has ſhort brown Hair, very dark Skin, and talks faſt; had on when he went off, an old* Virginia *Cloth Coat and Breeches, and an Oſnabrug Shirt;—the other* Iſaac Carlton *about 20 Years of Age, 5 Feet 7 or 8 Inches high, has ſhort black Hair, and dark Skin, has an Impediment in his Speech when he talks faſt, had on when he went off, a* Virginia *Cloth Jacket, a Cotton Shirt, and long Trouſers; they both carried off with them a good many Clothes, unknown to the Officers on Board. Theſe Men were formerly enliſted in the Service by Capt.* John C. Cocke, *and put on Board the* Manly *by Order of the Commodore. Whoever takes the ſaid Men up, and delivers them on Board, or ſecures them ſo that I may get them, ſhall receive 20 Dollars Reward for each.*

(‖) *WILLIAM SAUNDERS, Captain.*

DECEMBER 2, 1777.

WHEREAS I formerly purchaſed a Tract of Land in *Louiſa* County, of a certain *John Tait,* who has ſince moved to *Carolina,* without making me a proper Conveyance for ſaid Land, and as I gave him my Bond for £80 payable next *Chriſtmas,* I do hereby give Notice, that I will not pay the ſaid Bond, or any Aſſignment thereof, till a legal Title is made to me for ſaid Land.

2‖ RICHARD SWIFT

WILLIAMSBURG, *December* 19, 1777.

ABSCONDED from my Service, an Apprentice Lad named *Thomas Drewry,* by Trade a Tailor, about 18 Years of Age; had on a dark brown Coat with Buttons of the ſame on each Side, blue Waiſtcoat, and light coloured Breeches. He was detained at Mr. *Hanſford's,* at the Half Way Houſe, between this City and *York,* for ſeveral Days, but when driven from there by his Father, he was ſeen going up the Road above Mrs. *Camp's,* and is ſurmiſed that he will go to ſome of his Relations in *King William.* I forbid any Perſon from harbouring him, on Penalty of being proſecuted, and deſire his Friends to perſuade him to return to his Duty. (2‖) ARCHIBALD DIDDEP.

NORTH CAROLINA *State,* BUTE *County, Nov.* 20, 1777.

RUN away from the Subſcriber laſt Night, a Negro Man Slave named PETER, about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, made in Proportion; he has, from his Infancy, been a waiting Man, and drives a Chair very well, has a ſmiling Countenance, and very complaiſant, has a Squeel in his Speech, and Chews Tobacco, at other Times takes Snuff; he carried with him two Suits of Clothes, one green Frize Half wore, the other a grey Coat bound, and the Binding now almoſt white, the Jacket for that is a brown, 4 or 5 Pair of Breeches, one of which is Leather, 4 good Shirts, 2 of them ſtriped Cotton, marked WP, with Bands of the ſame, ſtamped with red as the Shirts, 3 Pair of new Shoes, and 1 Pair Half ſoled, two good *Dutch* Blankets, an old Worſted Cap and a Hat, with a Piece Burnt off one Side; he is a good Plantation Waggoner, careful of his Maſter's Horſes, as a waiting Man, and very honeſt. I can aſſign no Reaſon for his running away, but quarreling with his Wife. I will give TEN DOLLARS to any Perſon that will deliver him to me, and pay all Charges, let him be well uſed.

(2‖) WILLIAM PARK.